(*b*) what the cost would be for converting it into a gravelled cart road ?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer*) : (*a*) Since Kumbham 1106.

(*b*) The cost has not been estimated.

The Kottayam-Kumarakam road.

301. ***MR. M. N. NAIR** (*Kottayam I*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) the amount allotted for the Kottayam-Kumarakam road for the current year (1109) ; and

(*b*) how much additional length of road has been completed in the current year ?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer*) : (*a*) Rs. 5,000.

(*b*) 1,600 feet.

The Ulavoor-Ramapuram road.

302. ***MR. T. S. JAYANTAN NAMBOOTIRI** (*Travancore Jenmies, North*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether the people of Minachil have requested Government to make the Ulavoor-Ramapuram road a cartable one ; and

(*b*) if so, what they have done ?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer*) : (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Investigation has been conducted and an estimate prepared for the work.

Bridge across the Minachil River.

303. ***MR. T. S. JAYANTAN NAMBOOTIRI** (*Travancore Jenmies, North*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether there have been repeated representations in the Popular Assembly and the Legislative Council requesting Government to take up the work of constructing the bridge across the Minachil river at Pala ;

(*b*) whether two deputations waited on the late Dewan Mr. Austin concerning this matter ;

(*c*) whether, as a result, the Dewan visited the place and recommended the necessity of the bridge ;

(*d*) whether, amounts were included in any budget for this work ; and

(*e*) whether that amount was allowed to lapse ?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer*) : (*a*) to (*e*) : Yes.

Bridge accross the Minachil River.

304. ***MR. T. S. JAYANTAN NAMBOOTIRI** (*Travancore Jenmies, North*) : Will the Government be pleased to state ;

(*a*) the year in which the bridge across the Minachil river, near the town of Palai, was swept away by floods in the river ; and

(*b*) the amount spent for the construction of the same ?

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MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer*): (*a*) 1104 M. E.

(*b*) Rs. 61,715-9-0 including materials valued at Rs. 4,623 available for future use.

Lady Doctor in the Lalam Hospital.

305. ✻MR. T. S. JAYANTAN NAMBOOTIRI (*Travancore Jenmies, North*) Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether the people of Minachil had represented to Government the need for a Lady Doctor in the Lalam Hospital;

(*b*) whether Government promised to appoint a Lady Doctor as soon as possible;

(*c*) whether they have acted according to their promise and

(*d*) if not, why?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) No. They had stated that the question of appointing a Lady Doctor in the Hospital at Lalam would be considered when more women doctors were entertained.

(*c*) and (*d*) In view of the answer to part (*b*), these do not arise.

Formation of Mats and Mattings Manufacturers' Association.

306. ✻MR. K. C. KARUNAKARAN (*Nominated*): Will the Government be pleased to state whether they are aware of the endeavours made by the Mats and Mattings Manufacturers, both European and Indian, at Alleppey to form a Manufacturers' Association?

MR. N. K. PADMANABHA PILLAI (*Director of Industries*): No.

Vaccination in the State.

307. ✻MR. K. M. KRISHNAN (*Ambalapuzha II*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the number of vaccinators working in the State;

(*b*) the number of persons vaccinated in the year 1108; and

(*c*) the percentage of vaccination conducted in the year, taking the whole population of the State into consideration?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*):

(*a*) 125 in the Public Health Department and 26 in the several Municipalities.

(*b*) 3,23,638.

(*c*) 6·35 per cent. on the assumption that all the rest have not been vaccinated which is impossible.

Small-pox in the Neyyattinkara, Nedumangad, Trivandrum and Vilavankod taluks.

308. ✻MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara I*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the number of small-pox attacks in the Neyyattinkara, Nedumangad, Trivandrum and Vilavankod taluks during 1106, 1107, 1108 and 1109 (up to 19-11-1109) respectively;

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